

September 20, 2020

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

Many thanks to all who continue to support St. Patrick's Church with their offertory gifts, either by mail, personal delivery or when attending Mass. This is very important for the day-to-day operations of our parish. We are truly grateful for your continued support.

Last year \$3974 **Last week** \$3776 (Envelopes \$3581, Children \$0, Plate \$195)

PRAYER LIST

*(These names will be listed for two months and then removed, unless we hear otherwise. **If a name is removed and needs to be placed on the list again, please call the Rectory.**)*

Judy Rushford, Terry Hyde, Cassidy Spinner, Gary Burton, Rose Moore, Julie Lafountain, Diane Favreau, Bonnie Filion, Ed Sweeny, James Lefebvre, Shirley Rap, Jackie Ducharme, Eric Pristera-Polniaszek, Bob Dessureault, Diane Marks, Claire Vacca, Ken Dupere, Tommy Harrigan

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Pat Tremblay & Karen DeCoste. Also please pray for all those in our Community Intention Book and all the sick of our area.

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE

September 19 / 20

4:00PM Pat Racine
10:00AM Douglas DiSabito

MASS INTENTIONS

September

Sat. 19 **Weekday**
9:00AM **(St. Mary's)** No Mass
(Anticipated) Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM †**(St. Patrick's)** Gabriel Bedard by Patricia Bracey
4:00PM †**(St. Mary's)** Joe & Agatha Dubois by Pat & Gene Gladd
Sun. 20 **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Suzanne Sample by Dave Coonan
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Frances "Pete" LeBlanc by Theresa LeBlanc
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Souls in Purgatory (All Souls Envelopes)
Mon. 21 **St. Matthew**
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Bruce Seguin by Bob & Jackie MacIntyre
Tue. 22 **Weekday**
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Donald LaBombard by Haig Basmajian
Wed. 23 **St. Pius of Pietrelcina**
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Rita Roberts by Lisa & Dean Surprenant
Thur. 24 **Weekday**
9:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Nancy LeClair by Pat Neverett
Fri. 25 **Weekday**
9:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Orville & Noella Trombley by their Family
Sat. 26 **Weekday**
9:00AM **(St. Mary's)** No Mass
(Anticipated) Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM †**(St. Patrick's)** John Rowe by Bernard & Eve Duffy
4:00PM †**(St. Mary's)** Betty Leduc by Dale & Lisa Menard
Sun. 27 **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Eleanor Perrea by Larry & Sherry Perrea
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Karen DeCoste by Barbara LaBombard
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Souls in Purgatory (All Souls Envelopes)

SANCTUARY LAMP

8th Anniversary of Agnes Bechard
by Joan Seguin

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Stephan Vander Kraats
by his Family

Please note that there will not be a 9:00AM Mass on Saturdays at St. Mary's.

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS ... are available from Fr. Lewis, Fr. Duc, Deacon Noel or the presiding priest. Please request these only if you require a gluten-free diet.

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

2020 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL ... United in Faith - Continuing Christ's Mission ... As we begin "Commitment Weekend" for the 2020 Bishop's Fund Appeal, it is our hope that we can continue or increase our support to this vital Appeal. The theme of this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal is "United in Faith – Continuing Christ's Mission". Please prayerfully consider supporting the many good works of the Diocese. This year, any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be used to further supplement the Bishop's Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our own community and throughout the Diocese. Your pledge will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you in advance for your support. To make your Bishop's Fund gift online, please visit <https://www.rcdony.org/bfa.html#donate>.

CONFIRMATION ... Confirmation for the 2019-2020 school year has been scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 4:00PM at St. Mary's, Champlain.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... No decisions have as yet been made regarding Christian Formation Classes for the upcoming school year. As soon as information is available, it will be passed on to you.

FIRST COMMUNION ... No date has been set as yet for the 2019-2020 school year.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF ... is open Wednesdays, 9:30 - 10:30AM or call Pat Carey at 518-420-4957 for an appointment.

Notes from the Pastor's Desk (cont'd)

WELCOME BACK TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS ... As Bishop LaValley said in his letter of July 14, 2020: "... **My sisters and brothers, now is the time to come back to Mass. Now is the time for healthy adults and children to re-engage with your parish family. We are a Eucharistic people. Of course, we need to observe all the guidelines that have been issued. We don't want to risk setting back the progress we have made.**" We were pleased to see all who have come back and hope to see more of you soon. Even though there is limited seating, we are able to seat 91 parishioners in our church and 45 in our parish hall. Because of the low numbers who have come so far, seating has not been too much of an issue. Please keep in mind that as the numbers increase, it will be necessary for the assigned seats to be enforced so that the required social distancing is maintained. We also ask that everyone wear a mask. We hope everyone will understand and comply with the rules that are necessary so that we can remain safe and healthy.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION Please come to Communion using the main aisle. Parishioners should alternate exiting their pews from side to side and forming a **single line in the middle of the aisle** while maintaining 6 feet social distancing. Once the center pews are empty, those in the side pews may cross to the middle aisle as well. After receiving Communion, you should exit the church and not return to your pew.

NO PRINTED BULLETINS ... For the time being, we will not be providing paper copies of the weekly bulletin. You may find the bulletin on line on our website(www.stpatricksrpny.org) and on Facebook on the St. Patrick's Church page.

WHEN VISITING OUR CHURCH ... We ask that those of you who come to visit our church during the week for Mass or just to pray, please wear your mask and use the hand sanitizer which is located at both church entrances. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

CONFESSIONS & HOLY COMMUNION ... St. Patrick's and St. Mary's will have confessions Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45PM or you can call to make an appointment. You may also call the Rectory and request that Holy Communion be brought to you.

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES ... Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: Not open so church can be sanitized for weekend Mass; Saturday: 2:45PM to 5:00PM; Sunday: 9:15AM to 11:00AM

COVID CLARIFICATION ... Do people need to continue wearing masks throughout the entire time they are in the church - especially when it is hot? Wearing masks is essential. All those who are not taking a speaking part during the liturgy are required to keep their masks on. If they are unable, they must refrain from moving about, speaking, singing, or projecting their voices in other ways. This is in line with the intention of the NYS guidelines.

SEASON OF CREATION: September 1 – October 4 ... Season of Creation is an annual ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home starting September 1 – the World Day of Prayer for Creation – and continuing to October 4 – the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. This year, the celebration takes place in the Laudato Si' Year of celebration called for by Pope Francis, and we are invited to take part. The Laudato Si' group and the Faith and Ecology groups around the diocese are planning opportunities for learning more about the issues presented through three Zoom discussions: September 3, September 17 and October 1. All three sessions will run from 7:00PM to 8:00PM. Details are still being finalized and will be posted on the diocesan Laudato Si' webpage and Facebook page.

FREE ONLINE CONFERENCE: How to Evangelize in Uncertain Times, September 26, 12:00 - 3:00PM ... The Organizers of the Annual New Evangelization Summit are offering a free Online Evangelization Conference on how to evangelize during this uncertain time. The speaker for this one-day event are George Weigel, Tim Glemkowski, Michelle Thompson, Father Jon Bielawski and Dr. Mary Healy. The Conference is hosted by Michael Dopp and Josh and Lisa Canning. The Conference is free but registration is required. Register at <https://uevangelize.org/virtualsummit/>. If there is interest, the Diocese of Ogdensburg Office of the New Evangelization will offer a follow-up conversation to unpack the conference on Saturday, October 3 at 10:00AM via Zoom. To register for the followup conversation, email Marika Donders at mdonders@rcdony.org.

IRON SHARPENS IRON PROJECT: Videos From The Conference ... Description: Check out the Iron Sharpens Iron Project at <https://www.rcdony.org/vflc> to see the videos from the Virtual Family Life Conference or to submit a video of your family doing something fun. For more information, contact Steve Tartaglia at startaglia@rcdony.org.

TAKE OUT ONLY HARVEST DINNER ... Sunday, September 27, Sacred Heart Church, Chazy has been cancelled.

VIRTUAL PRIEST DISCERNMENT SESSIONS: Attention Men Hearing the Call ... Zoom in to Priest Discernment ... High School Junior men & older are invited to join Father Howard Venette & guests for 60-minute virtual discernment sessions on the following Sundays at 3:00PM: September 20; October 4 & 18; November 1, 15 & 29 and December 13. Contact Father Venette at hvenette@gmail.com for meeting access.

LIFECCHAIN SUNDAY ... October 4, 2020 ... Stand up for LIFE at this year's LIFECCHAIN! Join in the 33rd annual peaceful, prayerful, public, pro-life witness to the sanctity of life. Rain or shine. All faiths are welcome! Bring a friend! Signs are provided. LIFECCHAIN practices social distancing. Please stand 25 feet apart. For information about the LIFECCHAIN in your area, visit www.lifecchain.net.

COMPLETE THE 2020 CENSUS: respond now ... It is important to complete the census. Census results affect planning and funding for education—including programs such as Head Start, Pell Grants, school lunches, rural education, adult education, and grants for preschool special education; planning and funding for infrastructure—including programs for highway planning and construction, Section 8 housing, federal transit, community development, and rural water and waste disposal systems; planning and funding for employment and training—including programs for vocational rehabilitation state grants, dislocated workers, and American Indian and Alaska Native employment and training; planning and funding for healthcare—including programs such as Medicaid, Medicare Part B, State Children's Health Insurance, and the prevention and treatment of substance abuse. A census response is required from every property, including seasonal homes: If you live at multiple places throughout the year, count yourself at the address where you live and sleep most of the time. If you split your time evenly between two or more places, count yourself where you were staying on April 1, 2020. However, a census response is required from each and every property.

LET US KEEP ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ... Mandy McCammon, Chad McCammon, Patrick Rosenberg, Colleen Kelly, Ben Brassard, Justin R. Moore, Alexis Wrye, Andrew Patterson, Eric Pristera-Polniaszek, Craig Langley, Paul Langley, Michael Casey, Matthew Letourneau, Maritza St. John-Lester, Ethan Gadway

